Vermont Board of Nursing Charter for the Alternative Program & Practice Remediation Program

Purpose:

The Alternative Program & Practice Remediation Program Committee is appointed by the Board of Nursing to administer these two programs. The Committee provides oversight to assure that the Alternative Program and the Practice Remediation Program functions as authorized and directed by Vermont Statute and the Administrative Rules of the Board of Nursing. Committee functions include:

- Review applications, pertinent reports, and information
- Impose and monitor conditions as appropriate
- Develop annual priorities and goals for the Program
- Implement plans for expansion and improvement of the Program
- Report to the Board at the end of each year.

Membership:

The Alternative Program and Practice Remediation Committee membership shall include two members of the Board of Nursing and one individual who has successfully completed the Alternative Program and one individual who has completed the Practice Remediation Program. When an expert in the treatment of substance use disorders or a particular practice issue is advisable and available, they could be appointed for a 3 year term by the Executive Director or utilized on an ad hoc basis. All regular appointments are made by the Executive Director for a 3-year term and may be extended for 2 additional 3-year terms.

The Committee will be chaired by a Board member. The chair may appoint one or more members to collaborate with the case manager to handle participant-specific activities, so that the entire Committee will not need to recuse when participant cases come before the Board. Committee Support:

• One RN staff member and/or one administrative/clerical support staff person will be assigned to the Committee.

Frequency and Length of Meetings:

The Alternative Program Committee will meet at least six times per year for one hour meetings, unless otherwise decided by the members. Members may join the meetings by conference call.

Expenses:

Board members receive reimbursement for mileage. Some reference materials will need to be ordered. Expenses are estimated to be under \$1,000 for the year.

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